CITY OF GAHANNA LANDSCAPE BOARD MINUTES – February 2, 2011

CALL TO ORDER:

Melissa Hyde, Chair, called the Landscape Board meeting to order on Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at 6:02 p.m. at Gahanna City Hall.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Jane Allinder

Mark DiGiando Melissa Hyde Frank O'Hare

Absent: Ken Shepherd

In attendance from the City Administration was Troy Euton, Deputy Director, Department of Parks & Recreation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Allinder made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the January 5 2011 Organizational meeting; seconded by DiGiando. **On roll call vote**: O'Hare, Yes, Hyde, Yes, Allinder, Yes, and DiGiando, Yes. **The motion carried 4 – 0.**

O'Hare made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the January 5 2011 Organizational meeting; seconded by Allinder. <u>On roll call vote</u>: Hyde, Yes, Allinder, Yes, DiGiando, Yes, and O'Hare, Yes. **The motion carried 4 – 0.**

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Nothing at this time

HEARING OF VISITORS

None

OLD BUSINESS:

Ordinance 913

Euton stated that at the last meeting Ordinance 913 was distributed and the Board was asked to bring changes to this meeting.

The Board began a review of Ordinance 913 and discussed the following:

Section 913.10

(e), 5 – it was suggested changing the tree genus and species from one to two or three species per lineal feet. The Board would like to know what other communities do in regards to tree planting standards.

Section 913.10

(c) The Landscape Commission BOARD shall have the responsibility for the development REVIEW of the street tree plans for the City, and the creation of tree planting standards. The developer of subdivisions can SHALL propose his/her own plan for approval by the Landscape Commission BOARD. If the THE developer proposes a street tree plan, SHALL SUBMIT ten sets of plans shall be submitted to the Zoning Officer at the time of the final plat, who shall

forward them to the Landscape Commission BOARD for approval. The street tree plan, if submitted in this manner, shall be approved prior to the construction of the subdivision. The Landscape Commission BOARD shall notify the City Engineer of approval of any street tree plan.

913.10

(g) Include wording that states measures off of utility easement boundary. Check with AEP for suggestions regarding planting around utility lines.

913.4

(a) 3 – add Ash species to the "injurious plants" list.

Euton would like the Board to review the ordinance for discussion at the next meeting.

Foxwood Street Tree update

Euton explained that at this time the City Zoning Administrator has not heard from the developer regarding the street trees.

NEW BUSINESS:

Landscape Awards

Euton stated that the Landscape Awards did not go forward last year due to lack of interest. Is the board interested in going forward with the awards this year? After some discussion the Board will not go forward with the awards due to the lack of interest.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS:

Memorandum – Charter Review Commission

The Charter Review Commission meets the first and third Thursday at 6pm. All meetings are open to the public. The commission has invited all board members to attend the February 17th meeting for their input and to discuss any issues they may find in charter pertaining to Parks and Recreation. If members are unable to attend they may forward a written response to Isobel Sherwood.

This is a once in a five year opportunity. Any of the changes the commission decides on will be put on the ballot this November.

POLL MEMBERS FOR COMMENT:

Nothing at this time

ADJOURNMENT:

Allinder made a **MOTION** to adjourn; seconded by Hyde. Motion carried unanimously. The Landscape Board meeting adjourned at 7 pm.

Melissa Hyde, Chair		
Approved this	_ day of	_ 2011
Pam Crossmock, Adm	inistrative Assistant	
Submitted by,		
Landscape Board mee	eting adjourned at 7 pn	۸.